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MEMORANDUM FOR THE DEPUTY DIRECTOR' FOR ADMINISTRATION, CIA

SUBECT: SAFE Development Program

- 1. The upcoming 24 months will be an extremely critical period of time for the Defense Intelligence Agency as the Consolidated SAFE Project Office (CSPO) delivers SAFE Deliveries 3 and 4 to the DIA. DIA has been looking forward with great anticipation to this event for several years. Experience with prior SAFE deliveries leads us to expect a period of intense activity as the CSPO integrates the diverse components of these deliveries and overcomes the innumerable unanticipated problems encountered during this phase of the development cycle. Care must be taken to ensure that the focus of attention on completing these deliveries is not diluted by the ongoing planning for the dissolution of the CSPO when its consolidated mission is complete. We all believe, however, that the CSPO, working closely with the DIA staff, can achieve its goal.
- 2. On a less positive note, DIA has just learned that CSPO has committed to conduct additional development work in support of the CIA/DO. Although DIA advocates propagating SAFE technology wherever possible, we question the wisdom of the decision at this time. As the SAFE Project Office Director himself stated, the introduction of the additional workload has diverted already scarce vendor resources to that effort. This must, obviously, have an impact on the completion of the very tasks for which the consolidated office was formed.
- 3. DIA is concerned that the decision to assume additional development work and to thus dissipate scarce resources dedicated to jointly agreed upon development activities was made without our coordination. We would like to discuss with you DIA's position on this issue and address what steps can be undertaken to ensure that no diversion from the original charter takes place at this critical juncture. The DIA point of contact for working with your staff to arrange for this meeting is Mr. Gene Robey, 373-3066.

FOR THE DIRECTOR:

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